

Cocoa: What's New

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Today's Topics

- Foundation Changes
- AppKit Changes



Foundation Changes

- Managed preferences
- NSFileManager changes
- NSNetServices
- New keyed archiving mechanism
- New binary property list format
- And more . . .



AppKit Changes

- 10.1 Changes
 - NSDocument
 - Text system
 - NSView
 - NSApplication
 - Keyboard UI



AppKit Changes

- Jaguar Changes
 - Text
 - Localized file system view
 - NSImage
 - NSWindow
 - Accessibility
 - And more . . ·





Foundation Changes

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Foundation Changes

- Managed preferences
- NSFileManager changes
- NSURLHandle
- NSNetServices



Managed Preferences

- Lab environments or single machines in homes
- A "forced" domain is created at the beginning of the preference search path
- Users should not be able to change forced settings
- Applications should disable controls where the user cannot change the value of a preference key



Managed Preferences

NSUserDefaults changes

- Forced values will be returned when using objectForKey:
- Applications may need to determine if an object for a given key can be changed:

```
-(BOOL)objectIsForcedForKey: (NSString *)key;
-(BOOL)objectIsForcedForKey: (NSString *)key
inDomain: (NSString *)domain;
```



NSFileManager

- Support for file flags
 NSFileImmutable, NSFileAppendOnly
- Creation date and HFS Codes
 NSFileCreationDate, NSFileHFSCreatorCode, NSFileHFSTypeCode
- Account information
 - NSFileOwnerAccountID, NSFileGroupOwnerAccountID
- Resource fork and catalog info preserved
- Intermediate directory creation



NSURLHandle

- FTP support added
- Many bugs shaken out
- Asynchronous hostname lookup
- Integration with System Configuration planned



IPv6 in Jaguar

- Jaguar now has IPv6 support in the OS
- NSHost now returns IPv6 addresses with IPv4 addresses
- NSSocketPort now allows IPv6, IPv4 addresses in addition to host name for host arguments
- NSSocketPort prefers IPv4 addresses for compatibility
- NSURL (and CFURL) not IPv6 savvy yet



NSNetServices

- Exposes lower level OS features at Foundation level
- Dynamic discovery of TCP/IP-based services
- No prior knowledge of addresses or hosts
- Services are advertised
- Services are discovered on the network
- Discovered services are resolved for connection



NSNetService

Publishing a network service

- Services are published in a domain (local.arpa.)
- Services offered also have a name, type, and port
- Delegate object listens for events



NSNetService

Publishing a network service

Publishing the service:

Delegate implements:

```
netServiceWillPublish:
netService:didNotPublish:
```



Discovering domains and services

- Domains and services are dynamic
- Domains may come and go on the network
- Services appear and disappear
- An NSNetServiceBrowser informs its delegate of events as they happen



Discovering domains

• Setup:

```
NSNetServiceBrowser *domainBrowser =

[[NSNetServiceBrowser alloc] init];

[domainBrowser setDelegate:someOtherObject];

[domainBrowser searchForAllDomains];
```

• Delegate implements (among other things):

```
netServiceBrowser:didFindDomain:moreComing:
netServiceBrowser:didRemoveDomain:moreComing:
```



Discovering services

• Setup:

```
NSNetServiceBrowser *serviceBrowser =

[[NSNetServiceBrowser alloc] init];
[serviceBrowser setDelegate:someOtherObject];
[serviceBrowser

searchForServicesOfType: @"_wwdc._tcp."

inDomain: @"local.arpa."];
```

• Delegate implements:

```
netServiceBrowser:didFindService:moreComing: netServicesBrowser:didRemoveService:moreComing:
```



Resolving a discovered service



NSNetServices

Additional Notes

- API is asynchronous (requires a run loop)
- NSNetService objects created for resolving cannot be used to publish
- NSNetServiceBrowser objects can only search for one thing at a time





Foundation Changes

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More Foundation Changes

- New keyed archiving mechanism
- New binary property list format and APIs
- Version checking
- More . . .



NSArchiver Issues

- Values must be unarchived in the same order as they were archived
- All archived values must be unarchived
- Cannot probe the archive for values which might not be there
- Reading new archives on older systems is cumbersome



Keyed Archiving

- Saved values are given string names
- Values can be unarchived in any desired order
- Can choose to unarchive only the values you want
- Can request values which may not be present
 - Decode methods return default values (nil, 0)



Keyed Archiving

- Simplifies backward and forward compatibility
- Type checking is still done to match encodes and decodes
- Some coercions are allowed
 - float <-> double
 - 32-bit int <-> 64-bit int



Keyed Archiving API

- New classes: NSKeyedArchiver, NSKeyedUnarchiver
- NSCoding protocol remains the same
- New NSCoder methods which take string "key" to identify the value
 - (void)encodeObject:(id)obj forKey:(NSString *)key;
 - (void)encodeBool:(BOOL)b forKey:(NSString *)key;
 - (id)decodeObjectForKey:(NSString *)key;
 - (BOOL)decodeBoolForKey:(NSString *)key;



Keyed Archiving API

- Not all NSCoder subclasses will "do" keyed archiving
- New method to test a coder for keyed-coding capabilities
 - (BOOL)allowsKeyedCoding
- Currently only NSKeyedArchiver and NSKeyedUnarchiver allow keyed archiving



```
// code in encodeWithCoder:
[archiver encodeObject:obj1 forKey:@"Obj1"];
[archiver encodeInt:flags forKey:@"Flags"];
[archiver encodeObject:obj2 forKey:@"Obj2"];

// code in initWithCoder:
obj2 = [unarchiver decodeObjectForKey:@"Obj2"];
shape = [unarchiver decodeIntForKey:@"Shape"];
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// last line is an error //
```



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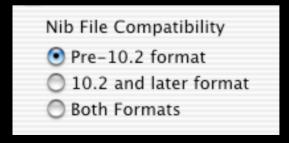
Keyed Archiving

- Can encode as many values as desired at the top level of the archive
- Should use unique prefix on string key names
- Can use inherited non-keyed coding methods
 encodeValueOfObjCType:at:



Keyed Archiving Output

- Output of keyed archiving
 - XML format property list
 - New binary format property list
- IB allows you to save a .nib document using NSKeyedArchiver, NSArchiver, or both





Keyed Archiving

- See Foundation release notes for more information
 - Converting existing classes
 - How to plan for and do compatibility



New Property List Formats

- New binary property list format
 - More compact
 - Faster, especially for big property lists
 - Additional capabilities after Jaguar
- XML property list format has been set to 1.0
 - No changes from "0.9"



Changes to Property List API

- New class: NSPropertyListSerialization
- NSSerializer, NSDeserializer are deprecated
 - Also do not support the new property list types



Using New API and Features

- First use ObjC runtime checks
 - Check for classes with NSClassFromString()
 - Check for methods with -respondsToSelector:
- Current version global variables double NSFoundationVersionNumber double NSAppKitVersionNumber



Using New API and Features

- Macros recording older versions
 #define NSFoundationVersionNumber10_1 425.0
- Sometimes version macros in the release notes
 #define NSAppKitVersionNumberWithZZZ 635.0



Avoiding Using New API

- <AvailabilityMacros.h>
- Set MAC_OS_X_VERSION_MAX_ALLOWED
 - MAC_OS_X_VERSION_10_1
- Tips
 - Do not subclass new classes
 - Do not reference new global variables
- See the release notes on the system



Unicode 3.2

- Foundation updated to support Unicode 3.2
- Unicode characters range from 0x0 to 0x10FFFF
- NSString model based on 16-bit characters
- Characters higher than 0xFFFF represented by Unicode surrogate pairs
- Code which examines characters should use
 - (NSRange) rangeOfComposedCharacterSequenceAtIndex:



New NSString API

- Methods to trim and pad ends of strings
- Precompose, decompose strings per Unicode 3.2
- New method to efficiently replace all occurrences of one string in another
 - (unsigned)replaceOccurrencesOfString:(NSString *)str withString:(NSString *)replacementString options:(unsigned)optFlags range:(NSRange)searchRange



NSString API Stricter

- Various methods in NSString, NSMutableString now check arguments more rigorously for nil and out-of-bounds
 - These are programming errors—FIX
 - Compatibility for apps linked on 10.1
- UTF-8 conversions now less forgiving about invalid UTF-8 sequences



Executing on the Main Thread

- New NSObject method
 - (void)performSelectorOnMainThread:(SEL)aSel withArgument:(id)arg waitUntilDone:(BOOL)wait modes:(NSArray *)modeList
- Performs methods as a result of the run loop
- Ordering for a particular thread's use is mostly maintained, but no ordering amongst threads





AppKit Changes

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10.1 AppKit Changes

NSDocument

- Now has the ability to track documents
- Preserves attributes and aliases to documents
- Supports hidden extensions



- File extensions are a good idea for compatibility with other systems and the web
- However, they confuse some users and disgust others
- So, allow the file extension to be hidden
 - It's still in the name
 - But not displayed



- When putting up a save panel, indicate you support hidden extensions
 - (void) setCanSelectHiddenExtension: (BOOL)flag;
- When save panel is dismissed, ask it whether the user wanted the extension hidden or not
 - (BOOL) is Extension Hidden;
- The filename from the save panel will have the extension in either case



• If extension is hidden, use NSFileManager to set this in the saved document's name

```
NSMutableDictionary *attrs = [NSMutableDictionary dictionary];
```

```
[attrs setObject: [NSNumber numberWithBOOL:YES] forKey: NSFileExtensionHidden ];
```

```
[[NSFileManager defaultManager] changeFileAttributes: attrs atPath: documentPath];
```



- When displaying document names, be sure to use the display name API in NSFileManager
 - (NSString *) displayNameAtPath: (NSString *)path



- But wait! NSDocument does all this for you
- Supporting methods are available, if needed:
 - (BOOL) fileNameExtensionWasHiddenInLastRunSavePanel;
 - (NSDictionary *) fileAttributesToWriteToFile: (NSString *)f ofType: (NSString *)type saveOperation: (NSSaveOperationType)op;
 - (NSString *) displayName;



Text System

- Supports filter services
- Knows how to speak



Filter Services in Text

- Following NSTextStorage methods cause filter services to be invoked for unknown file types:
 - (id) initWithPath: (NSString *)path documentAttributes: (NSDictionary **)dict;
 - (id) initWithURL: (NSURL *)url documentAttributes: (NSDictionary **)dict;
 - (BOOL) readFromURL: (NSURL *)url
 - options: (NSDictionary *)options
 - documentAttributes: (NSDictionary **)dict;



Filter Services in Text

New API to query types:

```
+ (NSArray *) textUnfilteredFileTypes;
+ (NSArray *) textUnfilteredPasteboardTypes;
+ (NSArray *) textFileTypes;
+ (NSArray *) textPasteboardTypes;
```

• And a new document attribute to find out whether a filter service was used in opening a document:

```
@"Converted"
```



Speaking Text

- New first responder action methods:
 - (void) startSpeaking: (id)sender;
 - (void) stopSpeaking: (id)sender;
- Implemented by NSTextView
- Available to others responders to implement



NSView

- Live resizing API for performance
 - Sent once per during a live resize "session":
 - (void) viewWillStartLiveResize;
 - (void) viewDidEndLiveResize;

Call super methods from these Can do setNeedsDisplay:YES at end

- Additional convenience method:
 - (BOOL) inLiveResize;



NSApplication

- Ability to set contents of dock menu
 - Provide an NSMenu in a nib
 And specify the nib as AppleDockMenu in Info.plist
 - Or via a delegate method
 - (NSMenu *) applicationDockMenu: (id)app;



NSApplication

Dock notifications

```
typedef enum {
    NSCriticalRequest,
    NSInformationalRequest
} NSRequestUserAttentionType;
- (int) requestUserAttention: (NSRequestUserAttentionType)t;
- (void) cancelUserAttentionRequest: (int)request;
```

Automatic for modal panels in inactive apps



Keyboard UI

- Came back to life 10.1
- Windows with initialFirstResponder are assumed to have valid keyboard UI loops
 - Otherwise the kit computes one for you



Keyboard UI

API to draw focus rings

```
typedef enum {
    NSFocusRingOnly,
    NSFocusRingBelow,
    NSFocusRingAbove
} NSFocusRingPlacement;

void NSSetFocusRingStyle (NSFocusRingPlacement p);
```

 More discussion in "Cocoa Controls and Cocoa Accessibility" talk





Jaguar AppKit Changes

Text System

- Comes with more built-in spelling checkers
 - British English, anyone? A colorful language
- Supports right, centered, and decimal tab stops
- Does bidirectional text



Tab Stops

```
Left Right Centered Decimal
1.2 1.2 1.2 1.2
A A A -42.56
```

```
typedef enum {
    NSLeftTabStopType = 0,
    NSRightTabStopType,
    NSCenterTabStopType,
    NSDecimalTabStopType
} NSTextTabType;
```



Bidirectional Text

- Needed for proper support for Hebrew, Arabic, and some other scripts
- New API
 - New NSLayoutManager glyph attribute NSGlyphAttributeBidiLevel
 - New NSTypesetter subclass



Localized File System View

- Present files with localized names
 - Not localizing the file system
 - But the view of the file system





Localized File System View

 When displaying document names, be sure to use the display name API in NSFileManager

- (NSString *) displayNameAtPath: (NSString *)path



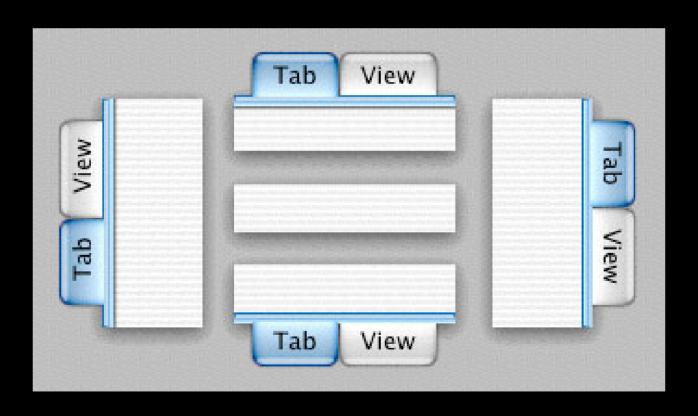
Localizing Your App Name

- Add CFBundleName to Info.plist
 - Same as the bundle's actual name
- Add the key LSHasLocalizedDisplayName with boolean value true
- Add CFBundleName in your InfoPlist.strings



NSTabView

Directional tabs





Directional Tabs

- No new APIs
- These existing NSTabItem APIs still work as before:
 - (void) drawLabel: (BOOL)truncate inRect: (NSRect)labelRect;
 - (NSSize) sizeOfLabel: (BOOL)computeMin;



NSImage

- Animated images
- Progressive image loading
- Caching policy



Animated Images

• Additional properties on NSImageReps created from animated images:

NSImageFrameCount NSImageCurrentFrame NSImageCurrentFrameDuration



Progressive Image Loading

- Via NSImage delegate methods:
 - (void) image: (NSImage*)image willLoadRepresentation: (NSImageRep*)r;
 - (void) image: (NSImage*)image didLoadRepresentationHeader: (NSImageRep*)r;
 - (void) image: (NSImage*)image didLoadPartOfRepresentation: (NSImageRep*)r withValidRows: (int)rows;
 - (void) image: (NSImage*)image didLoadRepresentation: (NSImageRep*)r withStatus: (NSImageLoadStatus)status;



Caching Policy

 Makes it explicit whether NSImage should cache its images (in off-screen windows)

```
typedef enum {
    NSImageCacheAlways,
    NSImageCacheBySize,
    NSImageCacheNever
} NSImageCachingMode;
```

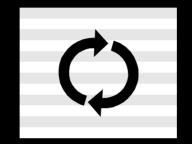
- (void) setImageCacheMode: (NSImageCachingMode)m;
- (NSImageCachingMode) imageCacheMode;



Spinning (aka Chasing) Arrows

NSProgressIndicator variant

```
typedef enum {
    NSProgressIndicatorBarStyle = 0,
    NSProgressIndicatorSpinningStyle
} NSProgressIndicatorStyle;
```



- (void) setStyle: (NSProgressIndicatorStyle) style;
- (NSProgressIndicatorStyle) style;



Spinning Arrows

- Additional API
 - (void) sizeToFit;
 - (BOOL) isDisplayedWhenStopped;
 - (void) setDisplayedWhenStopped: (BOOL) flag;

These apply to "bar" style as well as "spinning"



NSToolbar

Now has small icon mode

```
typedef enum {
   NSToolbarSizeModeDefault,
   NSToolbarSizeModeRegular,
   NSToolbarSizeModeSmall
} NSToolbarSizeMode;
- (void) setSizeMode: (NSToolbarSizeMode)mode;
- (NSToolbarSizeMode) sizeMode;
```



NSWorkspace

- Application notifications now include the following keys for additional info:
 - NSApplicationPath, NSApplicationName NSStrings containing full path and name
 - NSApplicationProcessIdentifier NSNumbers containing process id
 - NSApplicationProcessSerialNumberHigh/Low NSNumbers containing high and low parts of PSN



NSWorkspace

- Also has new methods for getting information about running applications:
 - (NSArray *) launchedApplications;
 - (NSDictionary *) activeApplication;
- These contain the same keys and values described on the previous slide



NSWindow

- New style of panelNSNonactivatingPanelMask
- New style of window

NSTexturedBackgroundWindowMask





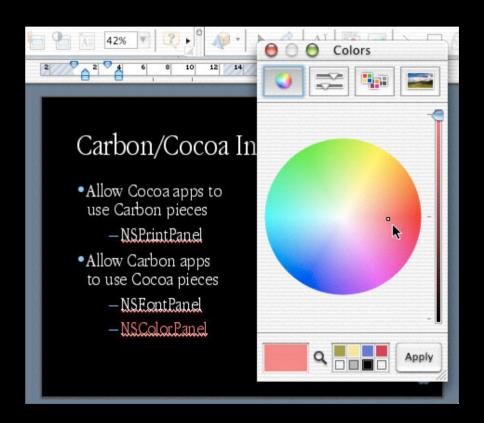
NSWindow

- Ability to move windows from the content area
 - (void) setMovableByWindowBackground: (BOOL)flag;
- Ability to set background colors/patterns
 - (void) setBackgroundColor: (NSColor*)color;



Carbon/Cocoa Integration

- Allow Cocoa apps to use Carbon pieces
 - NSPrintPanel
- Allow Carbon apps to use Cocoa pieces
 - NSFontPanel
 - NSColorPanel





Cocoa/Carbon Integration

- Create an NSWindow around a Carbon window:
 - (NSWindow*) initWithWindowRef: (WindowRef)ref;
- Return the Carbon window:
 - (WindowRef)windowRef;
- Handle events via CarbonEvents



Cocoa/Carbon Integration

- It's also possible to load Cocoa bundles in Carbon apps
 - Load bundle with CFBundle
 - Initialize Cocoa with NSApplicationLoad()
- NSColorPanel
- NSFontPanel



NSPasteboard

- New pasteboard data typeNSVCardPboardType
- And a brand new framework with Cocoa APIs for your other address-book and related needs

 AddressBook.framework
- See "Address Book Framework" talk for details



Accessibility

- Enable writing assistive applications
 - Screen readers
 - Alternate input devices
- C APIs for assistive application creators **AXUIElementSetAttributeValue(), ...**
- Cocoa APIs for providing accessibility features in Cocoa applications



Accessibility

- Cocoa UI elements implement the NSAccessibility informal protocol
 - Presents the user interface as a hierarchy of "UI Elements" with attributes and actions
 - Many built-in controls implement this
 - Many subclassers also automatically benefit

See "Cocoa Controls and Cocoa Accessibility"



Scripting

- NSAppleScript
 - Load, compile, and execute scripts
 - Get "pretty printed" scripts
- Automatic support for "Properties" property
- Better conversions
- See "Cocoa Scripting"



Release Notes

• Find Jaguar release notes on your Jaguar CD at:

/Developer/Documentation/ReleaseNotes/

AppKit.html
Foundation.html



Cocoa Documentation

- Object-Oriented Programming and the Objective-C Language
- Programming Topics

Application Architecture Memory Management Foundation Framework Multithreading Loading Resources Notifications

. and many more!

Documentation > Cocoa developer.apple.com/techpubs/macosx/Cocoa/CocoaTopics.html



For More Information

- O'Reilly "Learning Cocoa" and "Building Cocoa Applications: A Step-by-Step Guide"
- Cocoa Developer Documentation http://developer.apple.com/techpubs/macosx/Cocoa/CocoaTopics.html
- Apple Customer Training http://train.apple.com/



Roadmap

302 Cocoa API Techniques:	Hall 2
Understanding, leveraging, and extending	Thurs., 9:00am
303 Cocoa Scripting:	Room A2
Scripting overview and recent changes	Thurs., 10:30am
304 Cocoa Controls and Accessibility: Overview of controls; new Accessibility APIs	Room A2 Thurs., 5:00pm
305 Cocoa Drawing:	Hall 2
Drawing using Cocoa APIs	Fri., 10:30am
306 Cocoa Text: In-depth overview of the text system	Room J Fri., 2:00pm



Roadmap (Cont.)

805 Introducting CFNetwork:	Room C
CF APIs for networking and services	Tue., 5:00pm
811 Zero Configuration Networking:	Room J
Support for services, dynamic configuration	Thurs., 2:00pm
012 Address Book Framework:	Room C
Overview of new Address Book APIs	Fri., 3:30pm
FF016 Cocoa:	Room A1
Comments and suggestions for Cocoa	Fri., 5:00pm



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